## Meeting of the City of London Law Society Competition Law Committee held at 12:30pm on 15 September 2022 in person and via videoconference

## **Minutes**

Committee members were joined by guest speaker, Will Hayter, Senior Director, Digital Markets Unit (**DMU**) at the Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**), who provided an update on the DMU and pending legislation as well as the CMA's current work in the digital sector(s). This included discussion about:

- The DMU's currently "twin track" operation, which relies on the CMA's existing toolbox whilst further legislation is pending.
- The impact that the DMU's legislative delay could have on the DMU / CMA and how this may impact the CMA's global role in relation to digital regulation.
- The (public) portfolio of cases the CMA is currently pursuing in the digital sector(s), including both antitrust and merger developments.
- The policy and international efforts being carried by the DMU and how the CMA is liaising with international authorities on global cases, as well as efforts within the UK e.g., the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum (**DRCF**).
- How litigation, both in the UK and internationally (e.g., in the US), is shaping digital regulation, and how the CMA is tracking those developments.
- The Digital Markets Act (**DMA**) and the impact this could have on the DMU and digital regulation more broadly in the UK.

## **Attending:**

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